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Note verbale dated 8 March 2007 from the Permanent Mission of Maldives to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Maldives to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006), and with reference to the latter's note dated 1 November 2006, has the honour to transmit herewith the report of the Republic of Maldives pursuant to paragraph 11 of Security Council resolution 1718 (2006) (see annex).

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Annex to the note verbale dated 8 March 2007 from the Permanent Mission of Maldives to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee

Report of the Republic of Maldives pursuant to paragraph 11 of Security Council resolution 1718 (2006)

The Republic of Maldives strongly holds that the proliferation of nuclear, chemical and biological weapons, as well as their means of delivery, constitutes a threat to international peace and security.

Maldives is party to many disarmament conventions including the Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT), the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTB), the Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC) and the Biological Weapons Convention (BWC). Maldives has no stockpile of nuclear weapons nor has any ambition for involvement in such activities. Maldives participation in these Conventions is only as a manifestation of its unequivocal support to the cause of global peace.

Provisions of resolution 1718	*Action taken by Maldives*
Paragraph 8	
All Member States shall:	
a. Prevent the direct or indirect supply, sale or transfer to the DPRK, through their territories or by their nationals, or using their flag vessels or aircraft, and whether or not originating in their territories, of:	Under Maldivian law number 75/4 (10/02/75) all items relating to a (i) are already prohibited from import to Maldives. Maldives does not export any item relating to the above to DPRK.
i. Battle tanks, armoured combat vehicles, large calibre artillery systems, combat aircraft, attack helicopters, warships, missiles or missile systems as defined for the purpose of the United Nations Register on Conventional Arms, or related material including spare parts, or items as determined by the Security Council or the Committee established by paragraph 12 of the resolution.	Under Maldivian law, arms cannot be imported/exported or transit through without the prior authorization of the relevant government authority. The relevant government authorities have been informed of the provisions in resolution 1718.
ii. Items, materials, equipment, goods and technology as set out in the lists in documents S/2006/814, S/2006/815 and S/2006/816, as well as other items, materials, equipment, goods and technology, determined by the Security Council or the Committee, which could contribute to DPRK's nuclear-related, ballistic missile-related or other weapons of mass destruction-related programmes.	Under Maldivian law number 75/4 (10/02/75) all items relating to a (ii) are prohibited from import to Maldives. Maldives does not export any items relating to the above to DPRK.

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iii. Luxury goods	The Government of Maldives has issued a public directive, instructing all importers and exporters in the country to cease all direct or indirect supply, sale or transfer to the DPRK, of any luxury items. Further, it has instructed the importers and exporters to report to the concerned government authority before 7 December 2006, any remaining stock of goods imported directly or indirectly from DPRK before the resolution was passed and any consignment that had already left the Maldives ports for export to DPRK.
b. Prohibit the procurement of such items from the DPRK by their nationals, or using their flagged vessels or aircraft, and whether or not originating in the territory of the DPRK.	The Government of Maldives has taken relevant action through the Maldives Customs Authority to prevent any shipment of items covered in (a) (iii) above from being imported from or exported to DPRK through Maldives ports.
c. Prevent any transfers to the DPRK by their nationals or from their territories, or from the DPRK by its nationals or from its territory, of technical training, advice, services or assistance related to the provision, manufacture, maintenance or use of the items in subparagraphs (a) (i) and (a) (ii).	There are no licences issued to any Maldivian authority/entity for the provision of technical training, advice, services or assistance related to the provision, manufacture, maintenance or use of the items in subparagraphs (a) (i) and (a) (ii).
d. In accordance with their respective legal processes, freeze immediately the funds, other financial assets and economic resources which are on their territories at the date of the adoption of this resolution or at any time thereafter, that are owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by the persons or entities designated by the Committee or by the Security Council as being engaged in or providing support for, including through other illicit means, DPRK's nuclear-related, other weapons of mass destruction-related and ballistic missile-related programmes or by persons or entities acting on their behalf or at their direction, and ensure that any funds, financial assets or economic resources are prevented from being made available by their nationals or by any persons or entities within their territories, to or for the benefit of such persons or entities.	There are no investments registered in Maldives owned or controlled directly or indirectly by any nationals of DPRK. Maldives will freeze immediately the funds, other financial assets, and economic resources that come into its notice related to DPRK.

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e. Prevent the entry into or transit through their territories of the persons designated by the Committee or by the Security Council as being responsible for, including through supporting or promoting, DPRK policies in relation to DPRK's nuclear-related, ballistic missile-related and other weapons of mass destruction-related programmes, together with their family members, provided that nothing in this paragraph shall oblige a State to refuse its own national entry into its territory.	Maldives will block entry/transit to its territory, upon notification to the Government of Maldives, of persons designated by the Committee or by the Security Council under the above paragraph.
f. Prevent illicit trafficking in nuclear, chemical or biological weapons, their means of delivery and related materials, in accordance with their national authorities and legislation, and consistent with international law, take cooperative action including through inspection of cargo to and from the DPRK, as necessary.	Maldives will fully cooperate, upon request, with any country/international authority to inspect cargo to and from the DPRK.